

## AGENDA



Thursday, December 13, 2007

**Public Works****Item No. 41****RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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**Subject:** Authorize execution of a construction contract with CASH CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LTD., Pflugerville, TX, for West Bouldin Creek Phase B in the amount of \$2,375,547.70 plus an \$118,777.30 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,494,325.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Gary P. Jackson 974-7115, Kathi Flowers 972-0213, Robin Field 974-7064.

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest bid of 3 bids received.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 10.19 % MBE and 3.01% WBE subcontractor participation.

**Boards and Commission Action:** Presented to the Water and Wastewater Commission.

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The West Bouldin Creek Phase B Project has been in design for a number of years, but delayed numerous times because of easement acquisition and development plans associated with the previous landowner.

The West Bouldin Creek Phase B project will construct a wastewater interceptor and collection system. The project allows for the relocation of an existing wastewater line located in Bouldin Creek and the capacity increase for area growth to include the Bouldin Meadow subdivision. The project will be constructed throughout the subject tract and will be completed in conjunction with G & G Venture Number One, L.P., constructing the development on the subject tract. The Property is within the full-purpose City limits and within the Council approved Impact Fee Boundary, Utility Service Area, Desired Development Zone, and West Bouldin Creek Watershed.

Since G & G Venture Number One, L.P. acquired the subject tract; the Project has had progressive movement. The developer has dedicated the necessary wastewater easements at no cost in exchange for this coordination. The 21-inch West Bouldin Creek Wastewater Interceptor Phase A has been constructed and accepted by the City. Phase B will continue the wastewater improvements farther south in the Bouldin Creek Watershed. The existing 15-inch wastewater line within Bouldin Creek is an old undersized line that has reached its carrying capacity and needs to be upsized. The Phase B improvements will upsized the line for ultimate basin development and move the line out of the creek bed as much as possible.

This tract of land is bordered on the West by Railroad easement and on the East by Critical Water Quality Zone boundaries making the route through this subdivision the only practical route. To keep the Project moving forward, the Developer has agreed to delay his construction and allow the construction of the

wastewater improvements across the subject tract but has requested that we expedite the CIP project construction. The Developer is ready to commence construction.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right-of-way, a 5 % contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any future change orders. The contract allows 251 working days for completion of this project.